



## COMMANDER'S SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT



As the Commander of Marine Corps Base Quantico, I take very seriously my responsibility in ensuring the safety and well being of every Marine and civilian working/residing on this installation. To achieve this mission critical task, I expect all Officers, Noncommissioned Officers, and Civilian Managers to aggressively execute our Command Safety Program and Operational Risk Management in order to safeguard our most precious resource - the Marines, Sailors, Civilians, and Families that make up the Marine Corps Quantico team.

While providing Base Operating Support functions for execution of the overall mission in support of Marine Corps Base Quantico, all personnel must share responsibility for maintaining safety and compliance standards and for adhering to all Federal regulations.

While our mission is important, it CANNOT be at the expense of injuries to our personnel or damage to equipment. All leaders are to apply sound risk management principles at all levels. Detecting, eliminating, and controlling risk is FUNDAMENTAL in the prevention of mishaps.

In support of this, I challenge you to work with me to become an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) Star Site within three years. VPP is a partnership between management, employees, and the civilian employees union. It starts by changing the safety culture, by taking ownership of our safety efforts. By working together we can achieve an exemplary occupational safety and health atmosphere aboard MCBQ, and improve base operating support to our tenant activities.

I CANNOT accomplish this endeavor alone; I NEED your help.

  
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